georgia memory net

The Georgia Memory Net Journey

The Georgia Memory Net exists to speed diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in symptomatic individuals. Not having a diagnosis limits access to appropriate care and resources that can improve quality of life for affected Georgians.

Here's how the program works:

1: PCP IDENTIFIES THE RISK

PCP identifies risk through the Annual Wellness Visit or cognitive screening and other observations for patients under the age of 65.

The Annual Wellness Visit:
- Free for Georgians over 65; revenue source for your practice
- Embedded 3-minute MiniCog™ screens for cognitive decline

Other patient observations or cognitive screening, including in those under the age of 65, may reveal signs or symptoms of Alzheimer's or related dementias.

Refer appropriate patients to GMN Memory Assessment Clinic (MAC) for diagnosis.

2: 1ST MAC APPOINTMENT

The first appointment is diagnostic:
- Expert assessment guided by Georgia's only Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, managed by Emory University and supported by the National Institute of Health.

3: 2ND MAC APPOINTMENT

The second appointment is a conversation:
- Patient and care partner meet with Community Service Educator
- Diagnosis shared
- Patient connected with local community services
- Warm handoff back to PCP

4: CUSTOMIZED CARE PLAN DEVELOPED FOR THE PATIENT

This document gives the patient, care partners, and PCPs a guide to follow.

5A: PATIENT THEN RETURNS TO PCP FOR CONTINUED CARE

PCP manages the continued care for the patient.

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5B: COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFERS ONGOING CARE AND PARTNERSHIP

The Community Services Educator connects patients and care partners to local community support. These community services provide ongoing support along with the PCP.

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